

Amendments to the Specification:

Page 1, between line 3 and line 4, please add the following new paragraph:

This application is a divisional application and claims the benefit of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/340,129, filed January 10, 2003, which is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/626,527, filed July 27, 2000, the entire disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference.

Page 1, lines 4-19, please amend the paragraph as follows:

This application is related to the following patents and patent applications, the full disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference: PCT International Application No. PCT/US98/19508, entitled "Robotic Apparatus", filed on September 18, 1998, U.S. Application Serial No. 09/418,726, entitled "Surgical Robotic Tools, Data Architecture, and Use", filed on October 15, 1999; U.S. Application Serial No. 60/111,711, entitled "Image Shifting for a Telerobotic System", filed on December 8, 1998; U.S. Application Serial No. 09/378,173, entitled "Stereo Imaging System for Use in Telerobotic System", filed on August 20, 1999; U.S. Application Serial No. 09/398,507, entitled "Master Having Redundant Degrees of Freedom", filed on September 17, 1999, U.S. Application No. 09/399,457, entitled "Cooperative Minimally Invasive Telesurgery System", filed on September 17, 1999; U.S. Application Serial No. 09/373,678, entitled "Camera Referenced Control in a Minimally Invasive Surgical Apparatus", filed on August 13, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,424,885; U.S. ~~Provisional~~ Application Serial No. 09/398,958, entitled "Surgical Tools for Use in Minimally Invasive Telesurgical Applications", filed on September 17, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,394,998; and U.S. Patent No. 5,808,665, entitled "Endoscopic Surgical Instrument and Method for Use", issued on September 15, 1998.